

REMARKS

Claims 1-18 are currently pending. The Examiner asserts that the current application represents seven distinct and unrelated inventions:

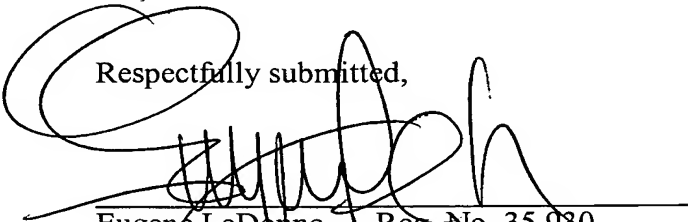
- I. Claims 1-6, drawn to a method of assessing the expression of mRNA for T cell receptor variable subunit α ; classified in Class 435, subclass 91.2.
- II. Claims 7-12, drawn to a method of assessing the expression of mRNA for T cell receptor variable subunit β ; classified in Class 435, subclass 91.51.
- III. Claims 13-14, drawn to a kit comprising SEQ ID Nos: 1-32, an enzyme, and buffers; classified in Class 536, subclass 24.33.
- IV. Claims 15-16, drawn to a kit comprising SEQ ID Nos: 33-55, an enzyme, and buffers; classified in Class 435, subclass 183.
- V. Claim 17, drawn to a gene chip comprising SEQ ID Nos: 1-32; classified in Class 536, subclass 24.3.
- VI. Claim 18, drawn to a gene chip comprising SEQ ID Nos: 33- 35; classified in Class 536, subclass 24.31.

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Applicants hereby elect to proceed with claims 15-16, which are drawn to a kit comprising SEQ ID Nos: 33-55, an enzyme, and buffers.

Based upon the above election, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application and its early allowance. Should the Examiner feel that a telephone conference with Applicant's attorney would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is urged to contact him at the number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,



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